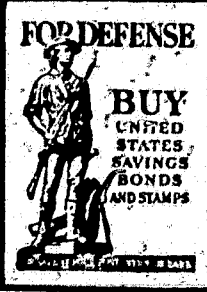


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BETHEL BOY LOST IN PEARL HARBOR RAID

The sympathy of the entire community goes to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Allen, who received a telegram Tuesday stating that their son, Ensign Stanley W. Allen, was lost in action at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Dec. 7.

Stanley W. Allen was born in Bethel July 17, 1916. He attended the local schools, graduating with honors from Gould Academy in 1934. He was prominent in all forms of athletics at Gould. He entered Bowdoin College and later was appointed to West Point Military Academy. After one year there he returned to Bowdoin where he majored in Chemistry and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1939.

He received training in aviation at the Naval Air Bases at Squantum, Mass., Pensacola and Jacksonville, Fla., receiving his commission as ensign last July. After a short furlough at his home here last summer he went on duty on the U. S. S. Oklahoma and was stationed with that vessel when it was capsized during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Sunday, Dec. 7.

MRS. LINCOLN CUMMINGS

Mrs. Ihez Cummings, wife of Lincoln Cummings, passed away late Thursday evening at her home on Vernon Streets, Bethel. She had been in poor health for several months and was confined to her bed the past six weeks.

Mrs. Cummings was born in West Bethel Oct. 26, 1869, the daughter of Orlando and Betsy Stiles Cross. Her entire life was spent in Bethel except for a short time in Albany. On Jan. 23, 1899, she married Lincoln Cummings and to them seven children were born, six of whom survive. On the death of her daughter, Lulu Hutchins, she took the baby to care for and bring up as her own.

Mrs. Cummings was a home loving person and an attendant of the Methodist Church.

She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Besides her husband she is survived by four sons, Chester of Denmark, Roy of Westfield, Mass.; Earl and Ray of Bethel; two daughters, Mrs. Laura Bartlett, East Bethel, and Mrs. Maude Harrington, Bethel; one sister, Mrs. Lena Shaw, Bethel; a brother, Arthur Cross, Albany; 15 grandchildren, one great grandchild, and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at Greenleaf's funeral home with Rev. M. A. Gordon officiating. Interment was at West Bethel. The lovely flowers showed the love and esteem of her family and friends.

MRS. ARVILLA WILSON

Mrs. Arvilla Wilson died at her home at Northwest Bethel, last Thursday night. She was born in Bethel July 2, 1867, the daughter of Leander and Lydia Wheeler Grover. She married Irving H. Wilson who died Feb. 7, 1940. She attended Gould Academy and was a member of the Methodist Church.

She is survived by two sons, Rev. Elwin Wilson of Biddeford and Evans Wilson of Bethel two daughters, Miss Minnie Wilson and Mrs. Myrtle Lapham, both of Bethel; four grandchildren, Harold and Joan of Biddeford, Laura and Malvern Wilson of Bethel; a sister, Mrs. Wesley Wheeler of Bethel; two brothers, Seldon Grover of Bethel and Channing Grover of Limington.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Greenleaf's funeral home with Rev. M. A. Gordon officiating. Interment was at Riverside Cemetery.

Training Classes to Start Soon

The Red Cross training class in Home Nursing will start soon after Christmas with Miss Phyllis Davis as instructor. Please register immediately with Mrs. Alice Brooks if you wish to take this course or any of the courses offered. The time and place of meeting will be announced later.

It is not necessary now to take First Aid before the Home Nursing Course. However, those who wish to take Canteen, must first have 20 hours of Nutrition. This class will be taught by Miss Thelma Gallagher, the Home Economics teacher at Gould Academy, and will probably also start right after the holidays.

We cannot form the classes until you register, so please do so.

It will make our work easier if those members of the American Legion Auxiliary who registered through that organization will register again with Mrs. Brooks.

—Marjorie McAllister, Chairman of Training Courses.

BETHEL FARM BUILDINGS TOTAL LOSS IN FRIDAY FIRE

The entire set of farm buildings of Mrs. Alice Rolfe in Bethel near the town line in North Albany were burned to the ground Friday afternoon. The fire is believed to have started around a chimney. The loss is estimated at over \$2,000.

Only part of the household furnishings were saved. The Bethel fire department made a quick run to the scene but the fire was beyond control on their arrival. The place was known as the "Gib" Mills place.

WAKE UP, BETHEL!

(Contributed)

We have heard the slogan Wake Up, America, Well, America has woken up! The good old Yankee spirit is awakened as was the spirit of 1776, but to the people of Bethel I say, "Wake Up!" This is a time when unity must prevail in town as well as National offices. Every organization and all the people must pull together, work together toward one common cause—that of defending humanity.

To the knitters,—keep your fingers flying, to knit warm socks, mittens and sweaters for our boys, for the Red Cross and for the British War Relief, as that country has already been at war over two years. Lay aside your bedspreads, afghans and needlepoint, devote every minute of your time, aside from your mending, to these heroic boys who are so bravely carrying on.

The Red Cross needs more volunteers. Come and give your time. The Civilian Defense needs money and signers. The British War Relief is having barrels in two prominent places in town. We are at war ourselves, but there are closets full of clothing that can be spared to these British people who have had death and destruction rained upon them. They need heavy clothing—shoes, suits, sweaters, shirts, overcoats, and underwear.

Money must be raised to fill our quota in the Red Cross. Entertainments will be forthcoming for benefits. Whenever you are asked to help—do so, and give and keep on giving—do and keep on doing.

The money earned in the British War Relief goes to help the poor children who were stricken dumb and blind or left homeless in the bombed areas. When you read one of the war bulletins it makes your blood run cold.

And so, with the dawn of another day, make your sacrifice, face the task of giving and helping others, each and every one. Wake up, Bethel.

BETHEL'S SHARE OF RED CROSS WAR FUND \$1200

Solicitors are canvassing the town for contributions to the war fund of the Red Cross. Bethel's quota of which is \$1200. Persons not solicited and wishing to share in this work should contact F. Perley Flint, who heads the local organization, or D. Grover Brooks, treasurer.

Marriage Not Reason for Deferment in Draft

Gen. James W. Hanson, Director of Selective Service for Maine, had advised all registrants to keep in touch with their local board, advise their local board of any change of address and all changes of status which might affect their classification. Soldiers discharged from the armed forces of the United States who are not registered must register at once.

Registrants who have been married since the date of their registration are required to furnish proof to their local board that their marriage was not entered into for the purpose of avoiding service under the Selective Service Act. Registrants contemplating marriage are advised to contact their local board and request information as to the approximate date they may be called into the service. Marriage in itself is not a reason for deferment.

Flag Display Urged

The National Americanism Division of the American Legion has requested that all American homes, business places and public buildings display the American flag daily during the war period. Such display to be in conformity with the established rules for flying the flag from sunrise to sunset. Such display will be of great assistance in promoting national unity.

—George A. Mundt Post, No. 81.

TO ALL WORLD WAR VETERANS

Comrades—"Join the Legion." Our country is at war. War against a powerful enemy, one who is without fairness, decency or honor. And the path to Victory will be no easy one. We of the American Legion will be called upon to form and serve in various units for protection of our community.

If you are not now a member of the American Legion, now as never before your membership and help is needed. Join today the Legion Post nearest to your home so that you can shoulder your full share of aid in this work.

There are numerous jobs to be done in every community and the American Legion will be expected to do and is doing many of them today.

There will be many more such jobs to come.

Let us be ready to serve now in this emergency as we always have in the past. But, Comrades, let us remember that our services to our community, our State and our Nation can only be fulfilled by our faithful performance, whatever the jobs may be. Let us work faithfully and honestly, not counting the sacrifices we may have to make, but carry through with the true spirit of the American Legion. Again as in the first World War we count it a privilege to serve the country we love.

Don't forget. Join the American Legion. Membership 1,106,000, highest ever. 800,000 of these members are registered and classified and are now working in emergency service. Are you one of them?

Your membership helps this organization. We in turn can then help others. By this method we all can help Set the Rising Sun.

The next meeting of the George A. Mundt Post, No. 81, of Bethel will be Tuesday, Dec. 23. Expect to see you there.

Gould Wins Conference Opener 31-26

Gould Academy fought an uphill battle Wednesday night to win their opening conference game at Norway by a 31-26 count. The Norway quintet surged ahead by an 8-3 score at the end of the first period. The small court proved hard for the Academy boys to become accustomed to. They however improved as the game went along. The score was tied at 10 all just before the half ended but Norway's star forward LaFrance managed to sink another basket just in time to give Norway a 12-10 lead at the half.

In the second half the two teams matched each other basket for basket until midway in the third period when Gould suddenly rallied with Amato, Richmond and St. Thomas scoring in rapid succession. From here in the victors maintained a lead that varied from 2 to 8 points, with the score at the end 31-26. It was a closely contested game with both teams showing early season jitters and inexperience.

LaFrance starred for Norway, collecting 13 points for the losers while the winners had no outstanding men. Richmond, Amato and St. Thomas scored 10, 9 and 8 points in that order with the other men playing important parts in the victory also.

Summary:			
GOULD	G	FG	PTS
St. Thomas	4	0	8
Robertson, rf	2	0	4
Richmond, c	5	0	10
Coolidge, lg	0	0	0
Berry, lg	0	0	0
Amato, rg	3	3	9
Totals	14	3	31
NORWAY	G	FG	PTS
J. LaFrance, lf	6	1	13
C. Wiley, rf	2	1	5
Roy, rf	0	0	0
Luce, c	1	0	2
Greenlaw, c	0	0	0
Raymond, lg	0	0	0
Howe, lg	0	0	0
H. Wiley, rg	3	0	6
Letohla, rg	0	0	0
Totals	12	2	26
Referee, Morrell. Time 4 8's.			
Score by periods:			
Gould	3	10	21
Norway	8	12	17

W. H. S. Students Give Play at Bryant Pond

There was a very large attendance at the presentation of the three act mystery farce, "Aunt Susie Shoots the Works," by the students of Woodstock High School at Bryant Pond last Thursday evening. The play was followed by a social with music by Shaw's Orchestra.

Cast of characters:
Aunt Susie Stowe, an eccentric old maid, Wilma Poland
Joy Herbert, her delightful young niece, Maxine Clifford
Scarlet Deane, Joy's colored maid, Fay Billings
Laura Dawson, another maid, Viva Yates

Madame Zola, sees all, knows all and tells nothing, Olive Howe
Mrs. Dunning (Cynthia), a neighbor, Miriam Verrill
Portia Lark, a female lawyer, Phyllis Keniston
Omar Graves, successful business man, Allison Benson
LaSalle Johnson, his colored servant, Donald Brown
Johnny Rogers, engaged to Joy, Howard MacKillop
Slick Conway, who adds to the mystery, Donald Clifford

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ARMY ENLISTMENTS NOW FOR DURATION

All Army enlistments are now for the duration of the war plus six months, and married men are now eligible, it was announced today by Lt. Col. John L. Rice, Corps Area Recruiting Officer.

Married men between the ages of 18 and 35 may now enlist, provided their dependents have sufficient means of support and will sign a statement to that effect.

Another important change involves men inducted under Selective Service. Men who have already received their physical preliminary to induction, but who have not yet been called for induction may now enlist, provided their Selective Service Boards are notified without delay immediately after enlistment.

Henceforth, all enlistments will be for the Army of the United States rather than the regular Army. Qualified selectees at Reception Centers may elect to be assigned to the Air Corps, while enlisted men still have the opportunity to choose an opening in any branch of the service for which they are qualified.

Applicants should appear at enlisting stations with all their necessary papers. All should bring a birth certificate. Men under 21 years of age must have the consent of parents or guardians in writing. Married men should bring certificates stating that they have no dependents.

BETHEL LODGE, F. & A. M., INSTALLS OFFICERS

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. and A. M., held its annual installation of officers last Thursday evening with District Deputy Grand Master Floyd M. Mason as installing officer. Officers installed were:
W. M.—Leland Mason
S. W.—Earle Palmer
J. W.—William Hastings
Treas.—Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven

Sec.—Earl Davis
S. D.—Elmer Bennett
J. D.—William Chapman
Chaplain—Leslie Davis
Marshal—Clarence W. Hall
S. S.—Norris Brown
J. S.—Gardner Brown
Tyler—Milo McAllister
Appointments were made as follows: committee on inquiry, Fred B. Merrill, Leslie E. Davis, E. L. Brown; committee on resolutions, Earl A. Davis, Clarence W. Hall, Ernest F. Bisbee; committee on charity, John M. Harrington, Eugene A. Van Den Kerckhoven, D. Grover Brooks; sick committee, R. R. Tibbets, Lewis Leavitt, Clarence P. Bennett, True Durkee, Edward P. Lyon; janitor, Norris Brown; musician, Durward Mason.

The Citizen will be published on Wednesday next week. All contributors and advertisers should see that copy is ready a day earlier than usual.

NOTICE

To Delinquent Taxpayers

State Audits of Unpaid Taxes are now made regularly by the State Department and it will be necessary for me to report upon that item in the near future.

These taxes are a legal impost which are a preferred duty of each taxpayer.

Please do YOUR DUTY and pay your taxes now.

WALTER E. BARTLETT
Collector
for Town of Bethel

THIS WEEK IN DEFENSE

Summarizing Information on the Important Developments of the Week Made Available by Official Sources through and including Friday

While its envoys discussed with Secretary of State Hull means of maintaining peace in the Pacific, Japan's forces attacked the Hawaiian Islands, the Philippines, Wake and Midway Islands, Guam, Hong Kong and Malaya. In the attacks on American possessions there were approximately 3,000 casualties, one battleship and a destroyer were sunk, several other U. S. ships severely damaged and a large number of planes put out of commission.

Stating "that always will we remember the character of the onslaught against us," the President asked Congress to declare a state of war exists between the U. S. and the Japanese Empire. Following Congress's affirmative action, Germany and Italy—in accordance with their agreement with Japan—declared war on the United States. Almost immediately Congress declared war on the European members of the Axis.

Addressing the nation by radio, the President said "It will be not only a long war, it will be a hard war. Not only must the shame of Japanese treachery be wiped out, but the sources of international brutality, wherever they exist must be absolutely and finally broken. With confidence in our armed forces, with the unbounding determination of our people, we will gain the inevitable triumph. We will win the war and we are going to win the peace the follows."

Army and Navy Action
The President announced he had instructed the Army and Navy to take all steps necessary to U. S. defense. The War and Navy Department announced that the Army and Navy had beaten off attempted Japanese troop landings in the Philippines, sunk a 20,000 ton Japanese battleship, a cruiser and a destroyer, scored hits on the battleship KONGO; that Marine garrisons at Midway and Wake were holding out; that Secretary Knox had flown to Hawaii.

Both the Army and Navy announced volunteer enlistments at a record level. The War Department asked Congress for legislation to register all men 18 to 64 years old and to permit use of men 18 to 45 for military service. Selective Service Director Hershey said it may be possible to raise the number of selectees in service from the present 800,000 to about 3,000,000 without using other than the 21-28 age groups. If Congress approves the induction of those from 28 to 35 now registered but deferred, another 1,000,000 might be raised. Gen. Hershey said 233 national headquarters directed all local boards to reclassify ex-service men who have been deferred because of prior service.

Congress passed legislation removing the ban on U. S. Army men from serving outside the hemisphere. Congress also granted the Army and Navy permission to hold colored men for the duration of Civilian Defense.

Following air raid alarms in San Francisco and New York the Office of Civilian Defense ordered all Pacific and East coast and District of Columbia air raid volunteers on the alert. O. C. D. Director La Guardia announced enrollment of 50,000 air raid wardens and other volunteers and called for three times the existing permanent fire personnel, plus one air raid warden for every 500 persons.

The War Department asked all Governors to be "on the alert" with home guards and State troops available to meet any situation.

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instructed special plant protection services to protect all arsenals, factories and storage depots against sabotage.

Director McNutt of Defense Health and Welfare Services asked Governors to complete mobilization of State health and welfare services. He also issued a call for young women to enroll in schools of nursing to meet critical shortages of professional nurses for Army, Navy and civilian requirements.

The Navy initiated censorship on all outgoing communications and forbade publication of any naval information that might be of value to the enemy. The Army restricted information of troop movements except when announced by the War Department. The Maritime Commission requested the press, radio and news channels to refrain from publishing information about merchant vessels in any waters.

The President authorized the Defense Communications Board to designate radio facilities of the nation for use, control, inspection or closure by Federal agencies. The Federal Communications Commission prohibited operation of amateur radio stations in all U. S. Territory.

The Army and Navy announced casualty lists will be withheld from publication in order to avoid giving aid to the enemy in determining where and when and how many losses the U. S. had sustained. Families of casualties, however, will be notified immediately whenever possible.

Lend-Lease To Continue

The White House issued a statement that "the Lend-Lease program is and will continue in full operation." The statement said "It was the German hope that if the U. S. and Japan could be pushed into war, that such conflict would put an end to the Lend-Lease program." Germany and Japan, the President said, "are conducting their military and naval operations in accordance with a joint plan. The American people must realize it can be matched only with similar grand strategy."

The State Department asked the Pan-American Union to call a conference of Western nations in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on December 12, Great Britain, Canada, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Cuba, Dom-

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nican Republic, El Salvador, Free France, Greece, Haiti, Honduras, Netherlands Indies, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Panama, Poland, South Africa, and the Soviet Union had either declared war on Japan, severed relations with that country, or expressed willingness to cooperate with the U. S.

Production

Under Secretary of War Patterson called for production of all munitions on a 24-hour-a-day basis. The SPAB issued a declaration that the defense program has been replaced with a victory program. OPM Director Knudsen told his press conference the victory program calls for 1,000 heavy four engine bombers a month and a 168 hour week for the plane, tank, gun, ammunition and shipbuilding industries as fast as men, materials and machines are available. Director Odum of the OPM Contract Distribution Division speaking in New York said war production will double in 1942. Civilian Supply Director Henderson cut auto production to 60 percent of December last year.

The President invited industry and labor leaders to meet in Washington, December 17, to reach an agreement to prevent labor disputes.

Civilians

Civilian Supply

The President told his press conference the very great shortage of most metals will necessitate use in war production of at least 50 percent of the metals now going into civilian use. The Secretary of Agriculture issued a statement "we enter this struggle with greater reserves of food, feed and fiber than at any other time in our history."

OPM Priorities Director Nelson prohibited sale of new auto tires from December 11 to December 22 to stop a "buying wave" which started after Japan's attack. Price Administrator Henderson placed ceiling prices on flashlights, bulbs and batteries and asked purchases of "must" items in coastal area threatened by air raids to report all profiteering. He also asked nationwide campaign to conserve and accumulate waste paper.

Economic Defense

The Economic Defense Board prohibited exports to Japan and

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- Red & White CHOCOLATE, Semi-Sweets.....2 pkgs. 25c
- CHOCOLATES, Assorted.....1-lb. box 29c
- Red & White COCONUT, Moist.....can 9c
- Red & White COFFEE.....can 33c
- CONFECTIONERS SUGAR.....2 pkgs. 15c
- Sunshine CRACKERS, Common.....pkg. 21c
- Ocean Spray CRANBERRY COCKTAIL.....bottle 15c
- Ocean Spray CRANBERRY SAUCE.....2 cans 25c
- Red & White CURRANTS.....2 pkgs. 25c
- DICED CITRON.....pkg. 15c
- DICED PEELS, Lemon or Orange.....pkg. 10c
- Koyai Lily FLOUR.....bag \$1.03
- Red & White FRUIT COCKTAIL.....2 cans 33c
- Red & White GRAPE JUICE.....bottle 15c
- Red & White JELLIES, Assorted.....glass 10c
- Red & White MARSHMALLOWS.....bag 15c
- Red & White MINCE MEAT, Condensed.....pkg. 9c
- Red & White MINCE MEAT, Moist.....jar 29c
- MIXED NUTS.....lb. 31c
- Sunshine NOBILITY ASSORTMENT.....pkg. 35c
- Red & White OLIVES, Stuffed.....bottle 25c
- PASTRY FLOUR.....bag 23c
- Red & White PEACHES, Shortcake.....2 cans 35c
- White House PEANUTS, Salted.....can 21c
- PEANUT BRITTLE.....box 25c
- PEANUT BUTTER KISSES.....lb. 29c
- Red & White PEAS, Sifted.....2 cans 37c
- PICKLES, Sweet Mixed.....jar 29c
- Red & White PINEAPPLE, Home Style.....can 25c
- Red & White ORANGE JUICE.....12-oz. can 10c
- Baxter's FRUIT PUDDING.....can 15c
- Red & White POP CORN.....bag 10c
- Bell's POULTRY SEASONING.....pkg. 7c
- Red & White PUMPKIN.....2 cans 25c
- HARD CANDY.....lb. 19c
- Sunspun SALAD DRESSING.....8-oz. jar 15c
- Sunspun SALAD DRESSING.....pint jar 23c
- Red & White SALT, Table.....2 pkgs. 15c
- Red & White SHORTENING.....can 63c
- Red & White SQUASH.....2 cans 25c
- SWEET CIDER.....gal. 39c
- Red & White THIN MINTS.....box 25c
- Red & White TOMATO JUICE.....2 24-oz. cans 23c
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- Red & White WALNUTS.....lb. 29c

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Japanese occupied territory, to Japanese nationals all over the world, and to China—except for shipments to the Burma Road via Rangoon. The Board also stopped exports of all rubber until further notice except in connection with Lend-Lease and to U. S. forces.

Treasury Secretary Morgenthau ordered a halt to any commerce or communication with Japan or her allies, ordered all borders closed to Japanese and froze all assets of Japanese nationals or businesses.

Stating that defense expenditure increases will have to be met by increases in purchases of defense bonds and stamps, Mr. Morgenthau ordered an intensive sales campaign.

Aliens

The President designated by proclamation all nationals of Germany, Italy and Japan as "enemy aliens" and authorized the Justice Department to take into custody those considered dangerous. The Justice Department requested that all State and local officials leave the handling of aliens to Federal authorities to prevent persecution of law-abiding and peaceful enemy nationals. All but 2,303 of the 1,100,000 Axis nationals in the U. S. were allowed to remain free subject to arrest on the slightest provocation, the Department said. The others, considered dangerous, were taken into custody and will be placed in concentration camps supervised by the Army.

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SCHOOL DAYS

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WEST PARIS

The Universalist Church School will hold their Annual Christmas Supper, entertainment and tree at Good Will Hall, Tuesday evening, Dec. 23. It will be a family supper and all members of the Parish, parents, friends and members of the Sunday School are invited to attend.

The Glad Hand Class enjoyed a Christmas tree and social hour with refreshments following their lesson hour at the home of Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes, Tuesday evening.

W. S. Ring and Mrs. E. R. Berry spent Thursday in Lewiston. Beatrice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Doble, is ill from kidney trouble following measles.

Mrs. Lewis J. Mann was in Lewiston, Thursday.

Edwin J. Mann went to Portland, Monday.

Mrs. Ida Hadley and Mrs. H. R. Tuell accompanied friends to Lewiston, Friday.

MRS. MADELINE BERRY

Funeral services for Mrs. Madeline Emery Berry, wife of Elmer Berry of Moscow, who died from a heart attack at Dr. Leighton's Hospital, Monday evening, December 8, were held Thursday afternoon from the First Universalist Church, Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes officiating. There was a large attendance of friends coming from Moscow, Bingham, Portland, Mechanic Falls, South Paris, Bethel, Buckfield and Farmington. The bearers were relatives, Henry Stone, Carl Emery, William Edmunds and Elmer Thurlow of South Paris.

There was a profusion of beautiful flowers. Interment took place in the family lot in the Hollow Cemetery, Paris.

Mrs. Berry was the daughter of Amma K. and Inez Swift Emery and was born in Paris, August 2, 1909. She is survived by her husband, whom she married 10 years ago; an infant daughter, Irene Rachel, two weeks old; her parents; two brothers, Keith of West Paris and Glenn, instructor at Chanut Field, Rantoul, Illinois; and Warren Emery of West Paris; five uncles, Walter Emery of Bethel, Warren Emery of Bingham, William and Laforest Emery and Russell Swift of West Paris, and several cousins. She was a graduate of West Paris High School and attended Farmington Normal School. Since living in Moscow she has taught school, been on the school board and at the time of death was postmaster.

WEST BETHEL

Miss Joyce Abbott was home from Brunswick over the week end.

Mrs. Edward Casey of Portland is spending two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Arthur Johnson.

The Chapel Aid held a Christmas Sale and pie social Friday evening at the Church basement.

The West Bethel School will have a Christmas tree and entertainment at the Grange Hall, Saturday evening, December 20. The following program will be presented.

Welcome Song, Maurice Coulombe, Burton Rolfe, Charles Smith, Donald McInnis, Robert Hutchinson, Elizabeth Davis, Katherine Kimball, Alberta Merrill, Patricia Rolfe, Nancy Dupee

Recitation, "Because,"

Stella Harding

Recitation, "Good Manners,"

Nancy Dupee

Recitation, "A Lesson for Alice,"

Alberta Merrill

Play, "Gifts on Strike" with the following cast:

Mr. William, a crusty old bachelor, Maurice Coulombe

Jennie, the maid, Katherine Kimball

Gifts:

Skates, Charles Smith

Bath Salts, Patricia Davis

Book of Meditations, Ronald Kendall

Stationery, Elizabeth Davis

Recitation, "The Stowaway,"

Patty Rolfe

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Fancy SELECTED TURKEYS		IGA Sweetened or Unsweetened
You can depend on your IGA		GRAPEFRUIT Juice 3 cns. 25c
Food Market to select and guarantee your Christmas Turkey.		Royal Guest
Leave your order today for a Personally Selected Bird.		COFFEE lb. 20c
PORK TO ROAST		Superba
Your Choice of Rib End Cuts—		STUFFED OLIVES 6 oz. 35c
Chine End Cuts—or Center Cuts		Superba
at Special Prices for Christmas.		PLAIN OLIVES 5 1/2 oz. 25c
Clover Sliced		IGA
BACON lb. 29c		CRANBERRY Sauce 2 cns. 25c
California Sunkist		Bell's
NAVEL ORANGES doz. 35c		Poultry SEASONING pkg. 9c
Texas Seedless		Locano
GRAPEFRUIT 5 for 25c		SEEDED RAISINS pkg. 10c
Florida		Superba
ORANGES doz. 25c		SEEDLESS RAISINS pkg. 9c
Native Hubbard		IGA
SQUASH lb. 3c		SNO-KREEM 3 lb. can 64c
IGA Xtra Whipped		Necco American Mixed Fancy
SALAD DRESSING lb. jar 25c		HARD CANDY lb. 19c
IGA Golden		Stuffed Dainties Fancy
SWEET CORN 2 cans 25c		FILLED CANDY lb. 23c
IGA		Aunt Martha's
POD RUN PEAS 2 cans 29c		PEANUT BRITTLE lb. bx. 25c
IGA Fancy		Washburn's Genuine
FRUIT COCKTAIL 2 cns. 35c		RIBBON CANDY 2 lb. bx. 35c
IGA		IGA
TOMATO JUICE 2 cans 19c		MINCE MEAT 2 pkgs. 19c
IGA		Sunshine Krispy
PINEAPPLE JUICE 2 cns. 27c		CRACKERS lb. pkg. 17c
Superba Fancy		
MIXED NUTS in shell lb. 30c		

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Recitation, "My First Gift,"

Edward Tibbetts

Song, "The Light of Christmas,"

Girls' Glee Club

Exercise, Taking Hints,

Robert Hutchinson, Donald Mc-

Innis, Howard Rolfe, Kenneth

Tebbetts

Recitation, "A Young Hostess,"

Mary Kneeland

Pay.

O'Malley's Christmas Eve"

Mrs. O'Malley, who celebrates

Christmas, Colleen Bennett

Kathleen, Ruth McInnis

Terry, Donald Walker

Danny, Marvin Kendall

Marie, Lois McInnis

Christine, Patricia Rolfe

Pat, Donald Bennett

Joseph, Reginald Kneeland

The Lundlord, Mr. Dennison,

Albert Smith

Dorothy, Ruth Hutchinson

Jenny, Randall Kendall

Their guests,

Buddy, Richard Rolfe

Tony, Carroll Fitzgerald

Tom, Zane Tibbetts

Santa, Laurence Kendall

Recitation, "In Brief,"

Floyd Kimball

Song,

"Merry Christmas, Good Night"

—

Last week those getting 100%

in Spelling in the Grammar room

were: Grade V, Donald Bennett,

Lois McInnis; Grade VI, Marvin

Kendall; Grade VII Donald Walk-

er; Grade VIII, Colleen Bennett,

Carroll Fitzgerald, Ruth McInnis.

Colleen Bennett received 100%

in the examination and also for six

weeks in succession, making a per-

fect record.

Walter Balentine has stored his

furniture in Fanny Carter's house

and will soon be going away in his

trailer house.

Hugh Frearns and family took

dinner with Richard Stevens and

family, Sunday.

The Farm Bureau met with Ma-

cel Abbott Friday December 12th.

There were 12 present. The sub-

ject was Christmas Suggestions.

There was also a Christmas Sale

and the Planning Meeting. A picnic

dinner was served.

Malcolm Barnett is boarding with

Bessie Stanley.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1941

With the loss of one of our young men in the first blow of this war, Bethel is aroused to a new realization of the tragic and needless waste. With millions of others we have believed and hoped that war might be avoided. The people of the nation are aroused by this treacherous assault of a dictator-dominated land-thirsty people. The conquest of a continent is not worth the life of the humblest American, but for the protection of the American way of living millions will swarm to its defense.

The American people enter this war with a sense of grim and bitter necessity. No thinking man wants war. It is to the great credit of our government that it did everything possible, within the bounds of our national honor and interests, to maintain peace. That effort failed through no fault of those who administer our governmental affairs. It failed because the ruthless conquerors of our time are bent on world domination. Nothing less can satisfy them. It is all or nothing. And so, at last, the democratic world is allied in arms against the totalitarian world in the greatest war history has ever known.

The price of failure would be the death of freedom. Freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of worship, freedom of enterprise. These are what we possess, and these are what we are fighting to save and to perpetuate forever.

We have been forced on us by a nation to which we offered firm friendship, economic cooperation, aid in solving its problems—everything in short, except the right to pillage and destroy and conquer. Now our enemies will learn how free men, backed by the limitless resources of our free enterprise system, can acquit themselves in battle.

We think it a fine compliment to the Chinese that Japan apparently would rather take on the rest of the world than try to finish the job of beating them—Pathfinder.

GOULD ACADEMY

The girls in the Junior Knitting Class for the British War Relief met at the headmaster's home Tuesday afternoon for the regular knitting group. Tea was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Ireland and Mrs. Lawrence.

Many favorable comments are being received by the music department for the Candlelight service held at the Congregational church last Sunday afternoon, under the direction of Miss Ann Griggs, with Mrs. Frances Ireland at the organ and Mrs. Doris Lord at the piano.

Wednesday night the members of the girls dormitory held a Christmas party at which time presents were exchanged and refreshments served.

Wednesday morning J. N. Rasmussen, photo service, was at the school and took individual pictures of the members of the student body and faculty.

In our present situation, the nation is faced with a challenge—a challenge for the strengthening physically and mentally of every fiber of our ditty life. What has this to do with skiing you may ask. In answer I feel that in our ski work throughout the country, particularly in secondary schools, the people who are organizing ski pro-

grams can accept this challenge wholeheartedly, and enthusiastically help to instill in each and every individual the will and ability "to take it" physically and mentally.

In the past few years I have decried the tremendous growth of ski tows and lifts. I have not cried out against these mechanical conveyances as tending to overemphasize downhill skiing as many skiers have. To be sure, ski tows are necessary and helpful for intensive training of skiers and many weekend skiers, but I have criticized them as debilitating instruments in the gradual lowering of physical and mental standards of our skiing citizenry, caused by utter dependence on mechanical means of motion. Unless a person can ride in a warm automobile to the very foot of a lift and step from the car to the lift, any thought of skiing for that day goes flying out the window.

What to do? I feel that our ski program can place more emphasis upon cross-country technique as a means of stimulating interest in towing. Those people who state an abhorrence of hiking on skis, are those who have no knowledge of various steps, poling rhythms, or waxing. Let's try and get younger skiers away from the complete reliance on ski tows, and urge them all toward participating in the phases of skiing that call for stamina in mind and body, initiative, perseverance, courage, gut, resourcefulness, ingenuity, common sense, and development of the ability to accomplish something through a combined use of all of these characteristics instead of relying upon mechanical labor-saving devices.

Immediately the question presents itself: what can we do to foster this growth? First of all, there is a need of some instruction in the very simple and fundamental technique of cross country skiing. After that is mastered by the skiers, short races can be held to stimulate interest in improving that technique. Hikes and long touring trips are of great aid in building up this spirit of strength.

One of the most important phases of skiing and any winter activity which we in the school should stress, is the ability to take care of ourselves and our companions. Short periodic lectures and demonstrations on simple rules of first aid for ski accidents should be given, and a sense of responsibility created among the skiers to the point where every skier considers himself equipped to aid in a crisis. We shall have to face many crises in the future, many hardships, and many privations. Why not prepare our skiing enthusiasts, and in so doing prepare ourselves, to be ready "to take it" mentally and physically.

Here at Gould, the winter sports program is arranged so that every student who elects skiing as a recreational sport received instruction according to his ability. The individuals pass into the class above by passing certain required tests. The class instruction includes thorough and exact information in every phase of skiing.

Throughout the fall, the members of the outing club and work group have been hard at work rebuilding the jump and clearing a path to the slalom hill. As a result, the jump now has two take-offs; one for beginners where jumps of 70 feet may be attained, and a higher take-off which will allow leaps of about 110 feet.

The slalom hill has been cleared of many rocks, stumps, trees, and bumps, and now affords a run of a mile with a 450 vertical foot drop. It compares favorably with any slalom hill in the entire state and is a severe test of even the expert skiers' ability.

With this expansion of facilities, Gould has enlarged the schedule of meets with the high point of this season coming with the State Meet on Feb. 28. Other outstanding meets include a carnival (triangular meet on Feb. 14, in which competition is expected to be close between Edward Little, Hebron, and Gould Kimball Union Academy of Meriden, N. H., coached by Bob Densmore, former Dartmouth skier, comes to Bethel on Jan. 24 for a dual meet. Other meets are as follows:

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

Miss Myrtle Lapham and Earlon Keniston were Sunday visitors at Albert Keniston's, Bryant Pond. Ray Lapham had the misfortune of losing one of his horses Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and children and Mrs. Bertha Andrews spent Saturday in Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Keniston of Rumford were at his grandparents' Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Andrews' Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lapham and children of Bath spent the week end at their home here.

Mrs. Lilla Stearns and Mrs. Edith Stearns and daughter, Janice, visited Mrs. Bertha Andrews, Wednesday afternoon.

John Adams is unable to be alone this winter, so is staying at Ben Inman's for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Kimball and son, Davis, of South Waterford were supper guests at Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews' Tuesday. Albert Packard also called in the evening.

The church service, conducted by Rev. Mr. Hodges Sunday afternoon, had a small attendance. Bud Payne was in Portland, Saturday.

HUNT'S CORNER

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kimball called on Frances Wardwell one day last week.

A. R. Clark of Bolster's Mills was a dinner guest at Olive Little's last Wednesday.

Chesley Harding of Norway was a guest of his mother, Mrs. Grace Sione, last Saturday.

Frances Wardwell, who has been seriously ill, is improving slowly. The snow plow was through this section Sunday night.

Elmer Bennett of Bethel was a caller at Olive Little's one day last week.

Clyde Barnes and John Spinney were in Bethel on business last Monday evening.

Jan. 10—Norway, Andover, South Paris, at Bethel.

Jan. 17—Bridgton at Bridgton.

Feb. 17—Berlin, N. H., at Bethel.

THE WAVE WILL RISE



SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Lenwood Andrews are in Rockland and Maiden, Mass., for a few days. Little Suzanne is with her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. George Waterhouse entertained on Sunday his sister and husband, A. R. Cummings, C. M. M., South Boston Navy Yard and their daughter, Catherine.

Erma Buck was in Lewiston Saturday.

Mrs. Gerald Davis will entertain the Willing Workers on Wednesday, Dec. 17. This will be in the form of a Christmas party with dinner at noon and a tree and program in the afternoon.

Much sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Emma Emery of

Trap Corner in the recent death of their daughter, Mrs. Madeline Emery Berry.

Mrs. Florence Perham, R. N. of Portland spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Buck.

Edwin Stuart and Edith Cox are ill with whooping cough.

ROWE HILL

Ernest Brooks has been sick. Winnie Hanson was in Rumford Saturday.

The snow plow was through for the first time, Sunday night.

Bill Libby reports excellent luck rabbit hunting.

Wilma Bryant has been working for Frank Hayes on the Mann lot, cutting pine.

For the PRACTICAL PERSON

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Clocks	25% off	Neckties
Silverware	Wrist Watches	Silk Hose
Kiddies' Books	Men's and Ladies' Gloves	50c and 60c
Mirrors	Silk Lingerie	Ladies' and Gents' Scarfs
Games and Toys	Full Line of Leather Goods	Sweaters
Costume Jewelry	Children's and Misses'	"Mojud" Silk Hosiery
Rugs	Ski Suits and Jackets	\$1.00
	\$3.50 to \$5.98	Nylon Hose

SHOP EARLY AND AVOID LAST MINUTE DISSAPPOINTMENTS

Edw. P. Lyon

EAST B

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SCHOOL was v

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Wherefore be the charter of A No. 145, be drap thirty days, thate spread upon our sent the bereav published in the Citizen.

Edith How Myra Foster Ruth Hast Committee

CAUSE OF THAI We wish to ex thanks to our and relatives for sympathy shown bereavement, also floral tributes.

Lincoln Cummi Chester Cummi Mr. and Mrs. Ea Mr. and Mrs. Ro Ray Cummings Mr. and Mrs. W Mr. and Mrs. Be Lee Hutchins

EAST BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Swan, children, Clayton and Beverly, and Mrs. Ida Blake arrived Saturday from Hartford, Conn. Mr. Swan returned to Hartford, Sunday. Mrs. Swan and children will remain with her father, Charles Reed, and grandmother, Mrs. Blake, for a while, as the baby has asthma in Hartford.

Planning Meeting

The Farm Bureau met Friday at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Marguerite Bartlett, for the planning meeting. A demonstration on school lunches was given by Mrs. Tyler, after which all partook of a box lunch prepared before the meeting by Mrs. Tyler, Mrs. Ruth Hastings and Mrs. Bartlett.

After lunch the following meeting dates were scheduled: Jan. 8, postponed rug meeting; Jan. 15, Good nutrition for rural family; Feb. 19, Tailoring tricks; Mar. 19, Low cost home improvement and wood finishes; April 7, More milk for Maine families; April, Health meeting with Mrs. Anderson; May 21, Cotton and its uses; June, House plants; July, Children's clinic; Aug. 13, Rug meeting or other handwork; Sept. 10, Home Safety II; Oct. Your money's worth Home Furnishings (Miss Cobb leader); Nov. 12, Products rich in Vitamin B; Dec., Gift Gadgets and planning meeting.

It was voted to carry the projects of Square Meals and Dressing the Children. The community project is Better Fire Protection and committee on same in Marguerite Bartlett, Myra Foster, Bernice Noyes. Nutrition committee, chairman, Ruth Hastings. Annual exhibit committee for Jan. 15 meeting, Florence Hastings and Edith Howe. The Jan. 8 meeting on Rugs will be held at Mrs. Howe's, every one to bring a box lunch.

The Saturday night storm brought over a foot of heavy snow and attendance at the Sunday School was very small.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Brothers and Sisters: Our dearly beloved sister, Grace Haines, has finished her labors here and gone to the bright realms above. We shall miss her pleasant smile and warm hand clasp. We shall miss her face in the Grange and in social gatherings.

As we realize the vacant chair in that home circle, we feel the deepest sympathy for the husband and children who are left below a little longer. To them we say—

I cannot say, and I will not say that she is dead—she is just away. With a cheery smile and wave of the hand

She has wandered into an unknown land,

And left us dreaming, how very fair

It needs must be since she lingers there.

And you, oh you, who the wildest yearn

For the old time step and the glad return,

Think of her sitting on as dear

In the love of there, as the love of here.

Think of her still as the same, I say,

She is not dead—she is just away.

Wherefore be it resolved that

the charter of Alder River Grange, No. 145, be draped in mourning for thirty days, that this resolution be spread upon our records, one copy sent the bereaved family and one published in the Oxford County Citizen.

Edith Howe

Myra Foster

Ruth Hastings

Committee on Resolutions

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our neighbors, friends and relatives for the kindness and sympathy shown us in our recent bereavement, also for the beautiful floral tributes.

Lincoln Cummings

Chester Cummings

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cummings

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cummings

Ray Cummings

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bartlett

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Harrington

Lee Hutchins

UPTON

Miss Pearl Barnett, student nurse in Rumford Community Hospital, was home over the week-end.

The Misses Viola Barnett and Bessie Casey of Stephens High School, Rumford, are home for two weeks vacation.

Grange Officers Elected

At the regular meeting of Upton Grange, No. 404, last Saturday evening the first and second degrees were conferred on Bessie Casey. Election of officers for the ensuing year was held and the following officers elected:

Master—Etta Barnett
Overseer—Jennie Stewart
Lecturer—Cedric Judkins
Steward—Sylvia Barnett
Ast. Steward—Guy Pratt
Chaplain—Bertha Judkins
Treasurer—Phyllis Williamson
Secretary—Jennie Judkins
Gate Keeper—Kendrick Judkins
Ceres—Arline Bernier
Pomona—Annie Barnett
Flora—Evelyn Lane
L. A. Steward—Georgia Pratt

The Girls' 4-H Club and their leader, Mrs. Roland Bernier, met at the home of Phyllis Barnett last Saturday afternoon and made candy to help fill the Christmas boxes for the shut-ins.

Several attended the regular K. of P. and Sisterhood meetings at Errol, N. H., Tuesday evening.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. Errol Wentzell is very ill. There seems to be some hip trouble.

CENTER LOVELL

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Eastman are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter at the Memorial Hospital at North Conway, Nov. 30. Gordon and son have been with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Eastman.

Dr. Monkhouse and Dr. Logan of Portland were in town recently also the new doctor that is locating at the Village.

Mr. Huey of Conway Center called on his daughters, Mrs. Howard Allen and Mrs. Ruby McAllister, Sunday.

Mrs. Albert Libby has returned from the Maine General Hospital, and is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Plummer, for a while.

Mrs. B. J. Stearns and son were guests Wednesday at her mother's, Mrs. H. C. McKeen's.

James Wilson has returned to Chicago, Ill., after a short stay on Eastman Hill.

Mrs. Lottie Palmer called on Mrs. Ella Smith, recently.

Walter Harriman is visiting his mother, Mrs. Hattie Clough.

BRYANT POND

Gordon Farnum has moved his family to the A. W. Arckett home he has purchased.

Mr. McKeen, who is boss at Stowell's Mill has been real sick but is better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Farnum and daughters, Ramona and Mary Stuart Farnum, and Mrs. Inez Whitman and daughters, Edith and Clara Whitman, went to Rumford, shopping Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keniston and daughter, Phyllis, were also in Rumford Saturday evening.

The D. of U. V. held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Inez Whitman, Tuesday evening, December 9 with fifteen members present. It was nomination of officers. A penny lunch after the meeting. The next meeting, Dec. 23 will be held at the home of Mrs. Inez Whitman and they will have a Christmas Tree for the members after the meeting.

ASHMAN N. LADD

Ashman N. Ladd, 54 died at his home on Rumford Avenue Saturday afternoon. He had been in poor health the past year.

A native of Mercer. He was born, October 11, 1887, the son of Fred and Laura Tuttle Ladd. For the past four years Mr. Ladd had made his home in Bryant Pond, where he was employed at the H. Alton Bacon Company. Prior to moving here he had lived in Winnipeg, Canada, for seventeen years. He was a member of Lebanon Lodge S. of A. M. of Norridgewock.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Lena M. Ladd, three daughters, Miss Elizabeth Ladd of Portland; Miss Lillian Ladd of Massachusetts and Bryant Pond, and Miss Marolin Ladd, a student at Kents Hill Junior College; a brother, Earl Ladd, of Rome, a sister, Mrs. George Godfrey, of Winthrop, Mass., and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services Monday morning at 10 from the I. W. Andrews and Sons Funeral Home at South Woodstock, Rev. H. T. Wallace of Bethel, to officiate. Interment in South Mercer, Maine.

OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH NEWS NOTES

By now, one Christmas tree has already been held: a Christmas supper, gifts, program. There are four to go: This Thursday, the 18th in East Stoneham, Friday night in C. Lovell, Tuesday, the 23d, in Albany and Wednesday, Christmas eve, the Waterford tree in South Waterford. A feature of several of the trees will be an original Christmas play written and produced by the East Stoneham-North Waterford Pilgrim Fellowship. This play, along with a social evening, will be given in East Stoneham Monday, the 22nd.

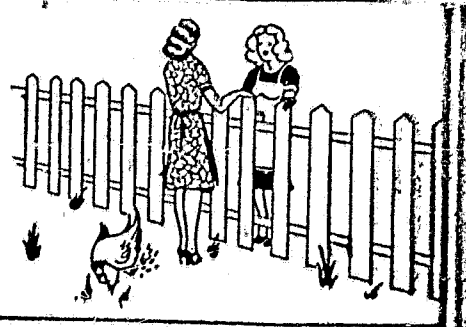
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Last Sunday evening at the Candlelight Advent service of the Parish a high point was reached

THIS BUSINESS

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SUSAN THAYER



"ONE NATION, INDIVISIBLE . . ."

We sat by the radio all that fateful Sunday afternoon, listening to one broadcast after another even when there was no more actual news; only a re-hash of what had already been revealed. But we were aware of something else happening during those historic hours when America woke up; something we could not see nor hear but only sense. Yet it was just as real as the sounds coming in over the air waves as that December dusk fell over the tree tops across the street.

It was America coming together . . . forgetting her differences . . . joining hands, wholeheartedly, for the conflict.

For months we have wrangled and disagreed. Some of us have believed we should be in this world struggle up to the hilt. Others were convinced our best national interest lay in staying out, at almost any cost. Individual groups continued to press for their own interests in spite of defense production, and strikes have been rife.

Then came Sunday and the whole picture changed in a few hours as millions of people in millions of homes sat glued to their radios as we had. Those differences faded out and a realization of what America actually does mean to us became real. That mysterious, but all powerful, force known as Public Opinion changed that day between the noon meal and the night, and without a word of confirmation, we knew it.

In the early evening the actual messages of unity began to come

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in; that senator who had been a leader in the isolation fight saying, "Now we must lick you-know-what out of them" . . . those labor leaders calling off their strikes . . . that political head-liner saying, "This is a time for action, not for words," those great newspapers that had supported neutrality came out for vigorous action and people everywhere, who had hoped against hope we might avoid this ordeal, saying now that it's come, let's get to work, and industry pledging itself to produce for defense at a rate never before dreamed possible in order "to match every enemy bomb with a dozen" and blacken the sky with planes to replace the ones shot down."

The next morning the face of our world looked the same . . . your own front porch with the folded newspaper on it . . . your neighbor's house with friendly smoke coming out of the chimney, the orderly Main Street of town with people going to work as usual.

But something fundamental was changed and you saw it in the people's faces, grave from the realization of what Sunday had brought, and dear to you, whether you knew them or not because we knew that morning that we are all Americans—in this thing together for better or for worse, come what may. But in it wholeheartedly without reservations and realizing as never before in our lives that we are what we have so often proclaimed . . . "One nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

in beauty, inspiration and worship. To miss a service like this is to cast aside a treasure: faith for living, vistas of insight were there. The invitation is always yours to come and share these good things with us.

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CHRISTMAS PICTURES



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SEASONS play a big role in the lives of amateur photographers who keep up-to-date with their picture making, and in just a few days we're going to run right into the biggest and brightest of all seasons—Christmas.

There's something about Christmas which makes picture making more than just a pleasant pastime. I like to think of it as an extra pleasant duty—a duty to record the memorable events of the day and the happiness we all feel. And, let me tell you it's a thrilling moment when you capture the real Christmas spirit in your snapshots.

If you're aiming for that this year—and you couldn't have any better objective—try to cover Christmas just as thoroughly as a photographer for one of the big magazines might cover the Christmas activities in your home. He'd begin with the pre-Christmas activities, wouldn't he? Well, you can do the same. Show the youngsters writing and mailing their letters to Santa. Peek pictorially—into the Christmas shopping, gift wrapping, and mailing. Don't overlook the decoration of the tree, and, for goodness sake, get a fine picture of the babies hanging up their stockings by the fireplace.

Everything connected with Christmas will make a good picture. On Christmas morning you may have

LOCKE MILLS

At the Community Club meeting, last Thursday evening, it was voted to donate to the Red Cross \$25. A Christmas program was enjoyed after the meeting and there was a Christmas tree with a gift for each member present.

Plans are being made to conduct a class in home nursing beginning the first of January. Mrs. Eva Twitchell, R. N., of Bryant Pond will instruct the class.

The Grammar School prize speaking will be held at the town hall Friday evening. There will be an entertainment after and the proceeds will be given to the Red Cross.

Miss Lella Swan is the new Lewiston Journal carrier.

Ivan Farrand is gaining at the

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK				
Week of Dec. 15				
Class	Deposits	Bank Total	Per Cent	
I	\$4.00	\$4.10	49	
II	5.00	2.75	59	
III	3.00	2.80	67	
IV	2.00	2.70	64	
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VI	11.00	\$2.15	35	
VII	3.00	2.05	68.2	
VIII	3.00	2.80	93.4	
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Third and Seventh Grades have banners.

C. M. G. Hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conant have gone to Portland, where he will work in the post office during the Christmas rush.

Mrs. Lee Mills is assisting in the post office at the present time.

Mrs. Washington Heald of Buckfield is visiting with Mrs. Cora Crockett.



Maybe Next Christmas

by ANNIE MARY LAWLER

SYNOPSIS

Ma Shannon's doctor has warned her that this is her last Christmas. She is planning a last family reunion and invites them all home to Mountain Creek for the holidays. In New York, Lydia, secretary-companion, is afraid to leave the man she loves to the

mercies of her rival. In Chicago, Kenneth, successful doctor, permits his spoiled wife to dissuade him from making the trip. In Baltimore, Robert, penniless writer, has Christmas plans which may make the publication of his book possible. And in

Hollywood, Sally is desperately trying for a part in the new picture. Ma, all unaware of her children's decisions, blithely makes her plans and awaits their return home for the last time. Finally she hears the sad news from all but Sally.

Installment 4

Ma went to the window once again. It seemed she had been watching that window all day, expecting to see some venerable auto chugging up the hill with her youngest daughter. The road was silent and empty. Ma went back to her conversation.

"Robert's going to some big shindig with a publisher," she continued. "Thinks maybe it'll be a turning point for him. And it might be at that. Maybe Robert's got something neither you nor I could ever see, Kit. I'm glad I sent him that money. He said he was down to his last penny. That's the trouble with children, Kit, they grow up and we lose track of them. I don't know anything about the youngsters, what they think, what they do, whether they're sick or well, or anything. I guess," the tears fell unashamed, "I guess maybe I was too busy trying to get them raised and fed and schooled ever to find out what made them click. And now it's too late. You needn't look at me like that, Kit," she accused the portrait heatedly, "I did the best I could. If you'd only hung around a little longer—" she mopped her eyes on her apron, brightened a little. "But Sally'll be home. You ought to see her. She's pretty as a speckled hen. But I wish she'd get over that nonsense about being an actress and marry Danny Davis. I'd feel better going off and leaving things if I knew she was being taken care of."

Down at the foot of the hill there was a sudden chugging of a motor.

The car pattered lackadaisically up the hill, wheezing at every turn. It was not Danny's perilous open jalopy but Sim Barnstead in the town taxi.

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The woman sobbed. "A baby is coming," he told Ma.

Miss Beverly Lurvey visited over the week-end with Miss Patricia Rolfe at West Bethel.

Mrs. Ethel Cross has been in poor health for several weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Carlton Lapham.

NORTH NEWRY

Miss Delma Ross left Sunday for her home in Ellsworth, where she will spend Christmas.

Schools of Bear River are getting ready for a Christmas pageant and tree to be held at the church Friday night. Schools in town will be closed until after the holidays.

L. E. Wight was in South Paris, Tuesday, on business.

There was 16 inches of snow here Monday morning. The first big storm this winter.

Church services here will be held Sunday night at 7:00 instead of in the afternoon, and will be a Christ-

mas service.

Carl Haakla called at L. E. Wight's, Sunday.

Rodney Hanscom was at his home

here, Sunday.

Roy Bennett is working in the woods, with his tractor for Carl Haakla.

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Ma smoothed down her apron and waited, trembling with rapture. The taxi looped casually around the final turn, coasted to a screeching stop before the house. But—Ma's heart stopped—save for Sim in his moth-eaten bearskin coat and worn beaver earmuffs—the taxi was empty.

Sim erupted from the driver's seat and lumbered up the front steps. "Got a telegram for you, Ma," he bellowed at the top of his powerful lungs. "M'w'we made me tote it right up in case it's important."

The telegram burned Ma's fingers like a sharp flame. She quietly ripped it open and read the message. Sally had at last gathered courage enough to send before she packed her bag for a Christmas in Palm Springs.

"Mummy, d'r'ing. I can't make it. Stop. Got a part in a new show and have to learn my lines. Stop. Give my love to the rest of the kids and keep a lot for yourself. Stop. Letter and package follow. Stop. Sorry. Loads of love and better luck next Christmas. SALLY."

Long threatened by gray skies and sullen horizons, Mountain Creek's prophesy of a white Christmas was being fulfilled. The first few flakes were great, white, leisurely things, floating carelessly through the heavy air, beautiful isolated stars of frozen loveliness.

Ma stood at her parlor window and watched the winding road disappear under the assault of the blizzard.

Darkness swooped down from the hills on a heavy wing. Soon the road was a smoky blur in the shadows, and the trees were gaunt ghosts wrestling with invisible giants. Ma turned from the window and carefully tended the fire.

"Wonder if the road'll be closed off?" she thought bitterly. "Not that it much matters. Only Dan DID say he'd come up on Christmas. It would be nice to have somebody in on Christmas."

She plodded into the kitchen for a lonely meal. The icebox was piled with food, and Ma made a wry face at it. "Waste," she sniffed, "and with hungry people walking the streets!"

She made a cheerless supper of odds and ends of leftovers, washed down tastelessly with a cup of sturdy tea.

The clock in the parlor coughed apologetically, then spat out nine wheezing strokes. Ma turned out the lamp and crept into the big, threadbare chair before the fireplace, racked in an abandonment of grief and loneliness.

How long she sat there she did not know, could never have told.

Suddenly Ma sat upright. Was that a step on the porch? Was that a knocking at the door? She listened again. Yes, it was. Maybe—maybe the children had changed their minds after all. Maybe it was Dan. Maybe—

She raced across the room, frantically wrenched the knob and flung open the door. The candles flared suddenly in the rush of cold wind, until the doorway was haloed with light.

A man stood apologetically on the threshold, a complete stranger.

He was a young man. And he was shabby and pitiful in the swirling of

snowflakes out there in the dark. In one swift second, Ma noted that his coat was a thin and sleazy Spring model, utterly unsuited to turning the edge of such bitter cold. He twisted a ragged hat in his gloveless hands.

"I saw your lights, Ma'am," he said hurriedly. "Is there—is there a man in the house?"

"I'm alone," Ma admitted rashly. "But come in, man. You'll freeze out there in that miserable coat. Come in, I say."

"I've got to have help. I've got to have help right away." His face was gray with cold and terror. "Is there another house up the road? My wife—"

"This is the only house on the mountain side," Ma snapped.

"But I've got to have help. My wife—"

"Your wife? Out in a night like this? Good heavens, man, you must be out of your mind. Where is she?"

"She's—down the road." The man was frantic with anxiety. "She's sick. I've got to get help. Have you a phone?"

Ma was squirming into her shabby coat, jamming her shapeless old hat down over her eyes, drawing on a darned woolen scarf and mittens. "I haven't got a phone. We'll just have to go out and bring her in ourselves, that's all. Where is she?"

"In the barn at the first turn down the road. We've got to hurry. I tell you."

"Here!" Ma thrust a lantern into his blue, cracked hands. She opened the door and they flung themselves out into the swirling snow. "What's the matter with her?"

The wind snatched the answer from his lips. Ma clutched at his arm and together they plunged forward into the storm.

They stumbled through the darkness, the lantern casting only a dim thread of light before them. After an eternity of battling against the determined wind, the barn loomed ahead, a welcoming bulk of shadow. Ma and the stranger grasped for breath, gratefully plunged within.

There was a dark bundle huddled on a mound of hay. Ma lifted the lantern and surveyed it, panting wearily. It was a woman, sobbing with pain and fright.

Ma turned toward the stranger, opened her lips to speak, but he forestalled her.

"We'll have to hurry." His eyes were haunted in the half-light. "She's having a baby, and there isn't much time to lose!"

Over the shrill keening of the wind and the muffled sobbing of the dark bundle on the hay, Ma Shannon's voice rose sharp and incredulous. "Having a baby? On a night like this? In a storm? In a barn?"

The man's face was a white blur in the flickering lantern light. "We were trying to make the next town. Our car broke down and we tried to get to a house. It's—"

Ma cut him short. "Time to tell me that later on." She turned to the woman. "The house is less than a quarter of a mile off. You can't stay here. Can you make it if we help you?"

The woman's voice was low and controlled. "I'll have to," she gritted.

Ma grew bolder. "We'll have to do without the lantern, but the

house isn't far and I could go blind-fold. We'll have to move fast. This wind is getting worse."

"I'm sorry to be a bother," the woman apologized.

"Bother!" Ma sniffed. "You're no bother. Here, put your arm around my neck. Wouldn't be the first time a baby was born in a stable—and on Christmas Eve at that. But no use staying here if we can make the house. Get her on the other side," she commanded.

The journey back to the house was endless. The wind had grown stronger, and the snow swirled in a suffocating blanket about the slow-moving trio. At every few feet they would stop to give the woman a breathing spell, then they would plunge forward once more.

When the old familiar pain had taken permanent lodging in Ma's breast, and it did not seem that she could stagger forward a single step more, the low flicking candles in the window shot a dim light through the storm.

"Last lap," Ma gasped.

The shabby little parlor had never reached out such welcoming arms.

"Put her on the sofa," Ma ordered, "and get her out of those clothes. Better not try to get her upstairs. Warmer and more convenient here." She smiled wryly. "This is a stylish b-b-y. It's going to be born in a parlor."

Hot water—sheets—antiseptic—Ma was everywhere, frantically checking the necessary supplies. In the kitchen, alone for a moment, she leaned against the wall, her hand to her heart, and saw the homely kitchen furnishings reel before her blurred eyes.

"Oh, dear Lord," she prayed, "not yet. I'm not ready. There's a baby coming—"

The agonizing vise about her chest slowly eased, the room snapped back into focus. Ma brushed the back of her hand across her blue lips, blinked furiously and muttered, "Thanks." Then she snatched the kettle from the stove and plodded parlorward.

The woman on the sofa smiled wanly. In the firelight her face was thin and pinched but young and lovely and unafraid. Ma's practiced eye consulted the clock. The pains were crowding each other. Only a short while—

Strange that in this moment time should so suddenly telescope, like sections of a schoolboy's drinking cup, until today and yesterday lay in one another's arms, close and near and part of each other.

Kenneth had been born on a night like this. Ma remembered the brutal wind, the beating of snow against protecting windows the limitless hours of the night, stretching endlessly through limitless labyrinths of fear and pain. And then, suddenly, the agony was over, and the wail of her first man-child had echoed from the walls. It was so long ago, yet sharp and clear as the hour just past.

The old clock cleared its throat and struck. At the second stroke, a bitter cry pierced the room. The man sprang from his chair in fright, but Ma pushed him back with a violent arm, and hastened to greet the new life.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

HANOVER

Mishemokwa Temple, Pythian Sisters held their regular meeting Friday afternoon, December 12, with 16 present. It being the regular nomination and election of officers, the following were elected for the ensuing year; Most Excellent Chief, Kathleen Smith, Newry; Excellent Senior, Rena Abbott, Rumford Point; Excellent Junior, Addie Saunders, Hanover; Mistress of Finance, Lena Cole, Rumford Point; Mistress of Records & Correspondence, Sadie Cole, Rumford Point; Manager, Ruth Lord, Bethel; Protector, Alberta Crêteau, Bethel; Guard, Daisie Warren, Newry; and Selma Chapman, Bethel, will be the Acting Past Chief for the ensuing year. Installing Officer, Helen Barker, Hanover; Trustee, Carrie French, Bethel; Pianist, Susan Martin, Rumford. It was voted to have a joint public installation with Oxford Bear Lodge. Madeline Dudley, Bethel, was chosen as the Representative to Grand Temple with Lena Cole as 1st alternate and Edith Howe as 2nd alternate.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Saunders visited their son in Houlton over the week end.

Mrs. Janette Lamson spent Friday night with Miss Barbara Penley, as she was enroute to Portland to spend the week end with her husband who has employment there.

The Community Tree was placed for lighting Monday.

GROVER HILL

Everybody is very sorry for the Rolfe families whose farm buildings were completely destroyed by fire last Friday.

Mrs. J. Burton Abbott is at home for a few days from East Bethel. Mr. Abbott's father, Frank Abbott, at Skillington remains in a very

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Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Mundt of Westbrook were recent guests at F. A. Mundt's.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Tyler have received a letter from Mrs. George Bennett, who with Mr. Bennett, is visiting in Los Angeles, Cal. Mrs. Bennett expresses no undue alarm over the blackouts and air raid precautions necessary there.

From twelve to fourteen inches of snow fell here Saturday night.

SOUTH BETHEL

Merl Hinckley has moved from Francis Brooks' rent to the Tobetts Co. rent.

Frank Vetquoskey has made many improvements on his house here this fall.

Jack Manning has moved into Vear Bean's rent.

Elezander Melville and wife are visiting over the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rowe, at Milan, N. H.

Ronald Brooks was making calls in this place, Sunday.

Gertrude Mason of South Paris visited over the week end in this place.

Mrs. Augustus Delano has returned home from the hospital at Lewiston. Her baby is to remain there a short time for treatment.

Frank Brooks and Clyde Stevens were in Green on business, Monday.

Leonard Tyler and family and Dan Hinckley were in Rumford, Saturday.

Lee Mills has nearly finished his work on Francis Brooks' house.

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GREENWOOD CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Olva Hakala were in Lewiston, Thursday.

Helen Tamlander was at her home here from West Paris over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Galen Curtis were in Mechanic Falls on Sunday, where they spent the day with relatives.

Children here enjoyed a few days of skating before the ice was covered by the snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Toivo Lehto have moved to Portland where he has work.

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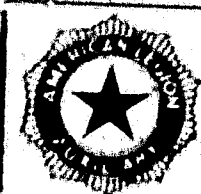
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**AMERICAN
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GEORGE A. MUNDT UNIT

The American Legion Auxiliary of George A. Mundt Post held their regular meeting Thursday evening, Dec. 11, at the Legion rooms with 11 members present.

It was voted to give three dollars toward Christmas baskets, also O. F. Friday evening when the voted to send five dollars to rehabilitation at Togus with this \$1.25 for Christmas cards and stamps to be sent to disabled veterans at barracks at Togus.

Our center piece was drawn and the winner was Mrs. Robert Davis of North Newry, her number being 15.

Eleven dollars was cleared from this sale. Sick members have been remembered. Four members attended County Council at Lewiston Dec. 13. The meeting was enjoyed also a supper after the meeting. Those who attended were Mary Moore, Marjorie McAllister, Mrs. Irvin French, Frances Bennett, Olive Lurvey, Iola Forbes, President Mabel O'Brien, Jane Van Den Kerckhoven, Helma Chapman, Nellie Day and Lesta Compass.

Do not forget Christmas tree and supper for all members and children Sunday, Dec. 21. Our next meeting will be held at the home of our president, Mabel O'Brien. All are urged to attend and talk over our defense plans for the Auxiliary.

JACKSON-SILVER UNIT, No. 68

Friday evening, Dec. 19, the members of the Unit and Post will enjoy their annual Christmas Party at their home. Chairman Idella Morgan has charge of the program. Past President F. Cummings attended the Second District Council Meeting held in Lewiston, Saturday December 13. Dept. President Illida Hatch was a special guest. Dept. Membership Chairman, Fannie Cummings reported 4,095 members already enrolled for 1942. A new high for December. Many elections will be won this year.

A. R. Cummings, C. M. M., U. S. N. R., has been transferred to the Navy Yard Annex No. 1 in South Boston and is attending the Wentworth Institute.

"For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes: To uphold and defend the constitution of the U. S. of A.; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a 100% Americanism; to make right the master of might; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of Justice, Freedom and Democracy; to promote peace and good will on earth."

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BETHEL AND VICINITY GILEAD

Ray York is in Portland today. Kenneth Brooks will begin work at Stowell's mill at Andover, Monday.

Mrs. Frank Benson and Mrs. Wilfred Baker spent last Friday in Portland.

Miss Arlene Brown is visiting her brother, James, and family at Auburn, this week.

Mrs. Mildred Garroway is working in the home of Mrs. Leroy Brown this week.

Miss Arlene Greenleaf arrived home from Boston today for the Christmas holidays.

Frank Osgood and family have moved into the Kellogg house at the foot of Mill Hill.

Milan Chapin has received word that his son, Charles Chapin, is safe at Wheeler Field, Hawaii.

L. A. Sumner is a patient at the St. Louis Hospital, Berlin where he is receiving treatment for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bartlett are living in the downstairs rent, in the house owned by Jack Gill on Main Street.

The fire department was called at 7:20 Monday morning to extinguish a chimney fire at the home of Eugene Norton.

Mrs. Charles Gorman is confined to her home and under the care of a physician, due to a fall on the ice the first of the week.

Mrs. Lena Shaw left for Portland, Monday, where she will spend the winter with her daughters, Misses Mabel and Retta Shaw.

Mrs. Addie Farwell returned home Sunday after spending some time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Cummings, at Hanover.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Merrill have moved from the Bragdon rent on Summer Street to the rent of J. B. Chapman on Elm Street, recently vacated by Wilson Bartlett and family.

About 60 were present at the meeting of Mt. Abram Lodge, I. O. O. F., Friday evening when the second degree was conferred on four candidates by the degree staff of Williamson Lodge of Wilton. This meeting was preceded by a supper served by Sunset Rebekah Lodge.

Bethel Troop of Boy Scouts met Monday evening with Gene Van Jr. leading. There were eight Scouts, 10 visitors, and three officials present. Instructions for new members and a few tests were passed. The meeting was opened with Scout oath and flag salute and closed with Scout cheer.

Arrangements have been made for the Home Guard to hold drill meetings at the Grange Hall. This Thursday evening the company expects to go to the Norway armory but the regular drill will be held there next Monday evening. With the additional floor space afforded by this hall it will be possible to make better progress. It is hoped and expected that the size of the company will increase with the new opportunity for drill.

BIRTHS
At North Conway, N. H., Nov. 30, to the wife of Gordon Eastman of Center Lovell, a daughter.

DEATHS
In Bethel, Dec. 11, Mrs. Inez Cummings, wife of Lincoln Cummings, aged 72 years.

In Bethel, Dec. 11, Mrs. Arvilla Wilson, widow of Irving H. Wilson, aged 74 years.

At Bryant Pond, Dec. 13, Ashman N. Ladd, aged 54 years.

Dean Legion and its Auxiliary and is a guarantee that the members will now double their efforts for the good of America, now war has come again.

School closes Friday for two weeks vacation. There will be an entertainment and Christmas free at the Town Hall Friday evening, Dec. 19.

Mrs. Harriett Witter and family have moved to George Leighton's boarding house for the winter.

Pvt. David Decoster is at his home here, having been discharged because of age, but is under call to report at any time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Donahue were in South Paris and Lewiston, Friday.

Mrs. Ferrol Witter has returned home from Gorham, N. H., where she has been staying since leaving the hospital at Berlin.

Mrs. E. O. Donahue is confined to the house with a sprained ankle. Charles Lozier has gone to Portland, where he has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. George Daniels spent the week-end of Dec. 7 at Head Tide.

E. O. Donahue went to Bartlett, N. H., Tuesday, where he has employment.

John Lozier spent the week-end at his home here from Portland.

On account of the many Christmas activities, the usual meeting of the Bethel Band will be advanced and held on Tuesday evening of next week. At the request of those active in the Red Cross campaign, the Band at its regular meeting last evening voted to tender its services and furnish music for any such purpose at such times and places as may seem desirable.

Those attending the Civilian Defense meeting at Portland Wednesday evening were Ernest Blisbee, Perley Flint, Frank Hunt, Grover Brooks, Lloyd Luxton, Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven, Myron Bryant, Milo McAllister, Roderick McMillin, Elwood Ireland, and Edward Hanscom. Col. William Knight, attached to the staff of Major General Francis Wilby, First Corps Area commander, was the principal speaker of the evening.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, December 21

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Herbert T. Wallace, Minister

There will be no Sunday School at the usual hour. Instead there will be a rehearsal of the Christmas Eve program at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Attendance will be counted; all the children and teachers will be present.

11:00 a. m. Christmas Service.

There will be special Christmas music with an anthem by a BOYS CHORUS. Sermon subject, "And His Names Shall be Called Jesus."

Parents with their children are specially invited.

Christmas Eve Supper and Entertainment. Supper will be served for all members of the Parish at 6:30. Afterward we shall meet in the Church for the Annual Christmas Tree. The Sunday School will present a beautiful Christmas pageant under the direction of Mrs. Dudley, Supt. of the Junior Dept. All are invited.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

METHODIST CHURCH

M. A. Gordon, pastor.

9:45 Church School. Mrs. Leona Swan, supt. Classes for all Christmas Lesson.

11:00 Sunday morning worship. Special Christmas music by Church Choir. Mrs. Mildred Lyon director. Subject of sermon, "Following the Star."

6:30 Epworth League.

7:30 Christmas Concert presented by Young People of the Church. Miss Phyllis Davis, director.

Monday evening, Dec. 29, Men's Brotherhood supper and entertainment.

When they heard the King, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. Matt. 2: 9.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 o'clock.

Services Sunday morning at 10:45.

10:45.
"Is the universe, including man, evolved by atomic force?" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, Dec. 21.

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